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Kevin Oetken, Woodland Forestry LLC Timber Valley LLC 225 Deerpath Road Suite 210 Lake Forest, IL 60045

RE: Timber Valley LLC Forest Plan Project Number(s): 1603965 County: Jo Daviess

Dear Applicant:

This letter is in reference to the project you recently submitted to the Comprehensive Environmental Review Process (CERP). The Department has evaluated the pertinent information and concluded that adverse effects from the project are unlikely. Therefore, the CERP review is completed.

To comply with Indiana Bat/Northern Long-Eared Bat Guidelines, tree clearing will occur from October 16 to March 14 to avoid impacts to federally listed species.

With the condition that any driven machinery used for this project be operated only on dry or frozen ground and any historic structures and ruins be avoided, this project will comply with the Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Preservation Act.

This review is valid for two years unless new information becomes available that was not previously considered; the proposed action is modified; or additional species, essential habitat, Natural Areas, wetlands, or protected cultural resources are identified in the vicinity. If the project has not been implemented within two years of the date of this letter, or any of the above listed conditions develop, a new consultation is necessary.

Please contact me if you have questions regarding this review.

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